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The Coroner's, The Untenable Theory

Suppose that Mrs. Jane L. Stanford intentionally took a small dose of strychnine with her bicarbonate of soda and then took one of the capsules prepared for a younger woman and containing a dose dangerous for a woman of seventy-nine, and everything that occurred in Honolulu is easily understood. The taking of strychnine as a tonic is not rare among women, and it is taken by some for the complexion. It is quite natural to suppose that the bottle of bicarbonate of soda, with its mere medical proportion of strychnine, had been prepared for the old lady. The amount of it she took contained, at the lowest estimate, a twentieth of a grain of the deadly poison. The capsule contained a thirtieth of a grain. The two added make a twelfth of a grain, which medical authorities declare to be a fatal dose. The only theory under which it can be supposed that she took more is that the strychnine was present in greater proportion in the half teaspoon of soda taken from the bottle by Miss Berner for her employer, on the principle that the smaller crystals of bicarbonate would gravitate to the bottom of the bottle. The analyses do not indicate this, for the first lot of bicarbonate analyzed showed the least strychnine, and Mrs. Stanford's failure to notice the indescribable bitterness of a strong dose of strychnine is powerful evidence against it. If it be true, then, that only the twelfth of a grain contained in the two doses was strychnine, the murder theory requires that someone shall have planned the crime so delicately that it must needs await for its consummation an occasion on which both the medicines were used at once. Certainly this would be murder at its finest as an art.

Aside from the symptoms recorded by the doctors and the post mortem indications, in opposition to the natural death theory there is the fact that there was strychnine, a foreign substance, in the bicarbonate. This is a fact which in view of the experiments of Dr. Shorey and Chemist Duncan, it is absurd to dispute. Even Dr. Jordan and Timothy Hopkins, willing as they are to call in question the medical opinions, do not dispute this demonstration of the analyses. It is a fact hopelessly unaccounted for under the natural death theory. Under the suicide theory the smallness of the dose is as inexplicable as under the murder theory.

The death of the estimable old lady which shocked Honolulu a little more than two weeks ago has become a subject of scientific controversy. It is quite likely to remain such forever. The slipshod, unintelligent investigation made by the police has caused the coroner jury's verdict, which might have been an important pronouncement, to be generally discredited and ignored. Even the physicians whose professional judgment has been questioned, do not defend it, and Dr. Jordan and Timothy Hopkins did not consider it important enough to mention. The accidental overdose theory probably fits all the facts revealed here better than any other, but it is by no means a complete explanation. It leaves the San Francisco alleged poisoning without explanation and certainly the failure to accord with important facts is a most fatal defect in any theory. As the defect belongs to all of the theories which have been suggested,—probably more to the coroner's murder theory than any other,—everyone may choose for himself. Detective Captain Calundann, before leaving here stated that the facts might be fitted to four different theories. They are murder, suicide, accident and natural death, but that the murder theory required that many and important facts be ignored.

Unequalled Graft Finance

What has come to be known as the National City Bank-Custom House Scandal, of which much is said in the current periodicals is one of the most interesting things in graft finance that has ever been known. The bargain made by Secretary Gage in 1899 with the City Bank, a Standard Oil institution, will result in the acquisition by the bank of the old customs-house property in Wall street without much of any cost to itself. For the bank bid \$3,265,000 for the property; paid over \$50,000, transferred \$3,215,000 of its own funds to the credit of the government, but kept the money as a public deposit without interest; has since had the free use of this money; has escaped New York city taxation on the property by virtue of Secretary Gage's goodness in arranging to keep the title in the government pending the building of a new customs-house; and has received yearly a rental from the government of \$130,600 a year for the use of the old building. New York city taxes on the property, had the title been transferred to the City bank, would amount to about \$75,000. It will be three or four years more before the new customs-house is completed. Then the account of the City bank on this purchase will stand about as follows:

Paid for the property.....\$3,265,000
Received government rentals 10 years.....1,306,000
Use of \$3,215,000 10 years at 4 per cent.....1,286,000

Total receipts.....\$2,592,000
Net cost of property.....673,000

Had the transaction been made in a regular way—the money been paid over and the title passed to the bank, then the net cost at the end of 10 years would have been \$3,265,000, less \$1,306,000 in government rentals, plus \$750,000 in New York city taxes—making the net cost \$2,709,000 instead of the \$673,000 which the Gage bargain has made possible. In other words, that bargain amounts to a free gift of over \$2,000,000 from the government to the bank.

The matter attracted a great deal of attention in congress, and that body refused to appropriate the amount necessary to pay the annual rental.

An Example In Promotion

Enough has been done in the way of promotion for Hawaii, to show that all that is needed to secure any reasonable results desired, is to keep on, applying vigorous and approved methods, and keep at it. The organization of the Hawaii Promotion Committee, and its work has been justified by results. More results and continuous results can be secured by keeping at it.

As to the extent and volume of results which can be secured, we have only to look to Southern California. This is a part of that great state, which probably is the least rich in natural resources. Yet it is the part of the state that is growing in population fastest. Los Angeles which twenty years ago or thereabouts was a place of 15,000 inhabitants, now claims a population of 150,000, and every city and town in that whole region has grown, if not in the same proportion, at least appreciably, and in most instances wonderfully. It is the unanimous testimony of Island people who have been in the Southern California country within the past two or three years that the tide of tourist travel

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and of people who come from the East and North to winter in that milder climate, is one that is counted by the tens of thousands. There can be no doubt that the population of Los Angeles and of neighboring cities and resorts is growing so rapidly, not so much because of the development of natural resources, as because of the tremendous influx of visitors.

If there were no other evidence of the magnitude, character and importance of this tide of travel, abundant proof of it would be found in the character and class of the hotels that are being built and opened to take care of it. Take such a hotel as the Potter, at Santa Barbara, a hotel that has already, by its size, its architectural beauty, its surroundings and the attractions it offers, taken its place as one of the world's well known hotels. Its existence and prosperity proves the immense volume of travel that pours annually from the east through the Southern California gates. The Angeles, the new and magnificent hotel at Los Angeles, is another piece of evidence to prove the volume of tourist and pleasure travel, and the continued prosperity of the Hotel Green at Pasadena, one of the large and world-wide known hotels, proves that this tide of travel is a permanent and continuing source of growth and development to the state. These are only cited as illustrations of what is a condition throughout the resort portions of Southern California. The number and magnificence of the hotels in that region is a source of wonder and surprise to the visitor, as well as being testimony to the greatness of tourist and pleasure travel as a resource of any country that has the attractions that draw tourists, to offer, and will properly exploit them.

But what Southern California has now become as a Mecca of tourists and winter sojourners, she has become through persistent and continuous advertising and promotion. The people of Southern California have exploited the advantages they had to offer to the seeker after health, recreation, or pleasure, and now they are reaping their reward.

In the beginning, the people of Southern California labored under almost, if not quite as great disadvantages as Hawaii does, or did. It was distant. It was expensive to reach. But the work has been kept up. New agencies have been enlisted. The tide of travel has grown to a volume that makes it one of the chief resources of that part of the state.

Classified Ads in Star.

Found

A bay horse Monday afternoon. Owner can have same by calling at this office proving property and paying expenses.

To Let

A cottage suitable for a couple without children, on Fort street, in rear of the New Era. Rent reasonable, inquire at the New Era or an premises.

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"The scene was most impressive" wrote the new reporter "As President Paul Isenberg stood at the top of the sixty foot fire tower not a leaf stirred and the legislators gathered below held their respective breaths. This in itself was no child's job.

"With a gay, glad smile the Senator jumped from the lofty pinnacle and the gallant firemen waiting below with the life saving net braced themselves for the effort of their lives.

"Bang! What was that? Was it a sudden blowing up of all of Hawaii's many extinct volcanoes? No. President Isenberg had arrived in the net. With another quiet smile he stepped out and raised his hat to the assembled multitude."

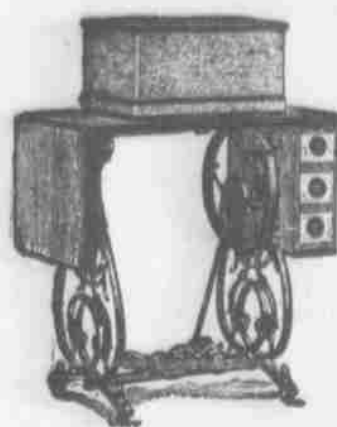
About this time the new reporter woke up.

A poultry show is not a bad idea. There are a good many people in the islands who have a fancy for fine breeds of chickens and other poultry, and no doubt a most interesting show could be gotten up. Poultry shows are a recognized institution in most of the states.

Much more widely known than the candidate for mayor of Chicago is the democratic nominee for city clerk—Adrian C. Anson, who up to 1898 had been conspicuous in national baseball for 22 years as leader of the Chicago club. Since retiring seven years ago he has run a billiard place and bowling alley. Anson had more than a common school education before going into baseball and is 53 years old.

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